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EDITORIAL

It's coming!! no not Brexit but Swavesey festival! Lots of information in this issue about events and also the village show so start thinking about your entries; more classes than before to tempt you.

2020? what will it bring? maybe the A14 will at last be finished and we will not have to endure endless road closures and traffic problems, maybe the potholes that keep appearing will be mended!

Well we can dream.

Keep your articles coming so we can continue to have a variety of subjects but PLEASE make sure they are sent to me as your editor as then I am able to check that we have included everything when I proof read each issue. Copy them in to alan.morris2@ntlworld.com as well so we can cross check. Thank you.

Deadline for the April/May issue is 20th February. This is the ideal issue to flag up your festival events so people can plan ahead.

Editor

Cover Image - Puddles by Edwin Parish
Inside Front Cover - Tea à la Ritz
Inside Back Cover - VE Day
Back Cover - Energise

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Major Events List

This list is intended to avoid major events clashing on the same day. It will only work if we are advised of all such events, so please let us know as soon as you can confirm the details.

A form is available at the back of this magazine. We will list them in this section of the Magazine and also on our website at www.swaveseymeridian.org.uk

Saturday 8 February	April Martin & Jack Stinton	Energise Youth Dance at Swavesey Village College (The Venue). Matinee 2pm - Evening 7.30pm. Tickets £7.00 from www.ticketsource.co.uk/swaveseyvc. or 01954 230 366
Sunday 22 March	St Andrews Church	Tea à la Ritz - 3pm at The Windmill - Tickets £8 children £4 (see poster)
Saturday 4 April	Thistle Green Community	EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA 11.00-3.30 at Thistle Green Community Room in aid of Crohn's and Colitis charity.
Saturday 25 April	Swavesey Camera Club	Annual Exhibition in Swavesey Memorial Hall
Friday 8 May	Swavesey Windmill	VE Day 2pm at the windmill - Childrens Games - Daisy Brookes 40s Singer - Cottenham Brass Band. Tickets £15 Under 14, £6
Sunday 10 May	Over Day Centre	5 Pub Challenge & Meridian Meander - Start from the Over Day Centre

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February		
Thursday 6	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Saturday 8	April Martin & Jack Stinton	Energise Youth Dance at Swavesey Village College (The Venue). Matinee 2pm - Evening 7.30pm. Tickets £7.00 from www.ticketsource.co.uk/swaveseyvc. or 01954 230 366
Wednesday 12	Swavesey & Over Conservation Society	PEATBOGS – SAVING BRITAINS LARGEST LOWLAND PEATBOGS. Brian Eversham - CEO of The Wildlife Trust for Cambrigeshire, Bedfordshire and Northamptonshire
Thursday 13	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Thursday 20	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Thursday 27	Refuse Collection	Blue Bin only
March		
Thursday 5	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Wednesday 11	Swavesey & Over Conservation Society	"PONDS – PUMPS and PUBS IN OVER" A History Presentation By Carolyn Redmayne – Local Historian
Thursday 12	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Thursday 19	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Sunday 22	St Andrews Church	Tea à la Ritz - 3pm at The Windmill - Tickets £8 children £4 (see poster)
Thursday 26	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins

STAGECOACH CITI 5 BUS

Most of you will now be aware of the change to the buses into and out of Cambridge. This was introduced with very little notice. (And even less consultation)

If this has impacted on your journeys then please contact Mandy Smith and also Stagecoach

Mandy.Smith@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
Enquiries@stagecoachbus.com

Ed

(See page 27 For more information)

CLUB REPORTS

Creatures coming out of hibernation.

When this publication hits the streets many animals will be thinking of coming round from their winter sleep and none more so than the allotment plot holder. After spending a couple of months sat in the warm with a beverage of choice and different seed catalogues planning for the upcoming growing season they will be itching to get back on their plots. Of course it will be very dependent on the weather; if this rain continues the ground will be too sodden and more harm than good will be done by working on muddy soil. A couple of years ago this happened which resulted in a late start, fortunately plants have a habit of catching up if the conditions are right following the wet spell.

This year for the first time there was an attack of the leek leaf miner. This fly lays its eggs on alliums and the pupa and larva attack the plant. It is still possible to eat the plant if the infected leaves are cut away but it does reduce the crop yield. This is a relatively new pest having first been reported in the UK in 2001. Several plot holders have reported damage whilst others have not. It is believed that the time of planting out is probably the reason if it coincides with the months of high activity.

The association AGM was held in November and the officers were returned but there was some change in the committee where two new members were elected to replace retiring members. They are very welcome and with an added bonus that they were younger members bodes well for the future.

The contacts will therefore remain the same and with 3 new plot holders joining in the last few months and a further 3 plots becoming available in the new year the waiting list is becoming shorter so I would encourage any prospective allotmenteers to get in touch.

PUT THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARY

Once again we have a very short month in February, only 3 meetings, as the College room is not available on the 20th. In your last mag. we advised you of our Print Panel Competition, almost upon us, on 6th Feb (hope your entries are already in). You still have plenty of time to submit entries for our last Set Subject, 'Water' , on 27th Feb. The next important competition, the Bamber Trophy, is not until the end of March, on the 26th, but you will need all that time to sort out your very finest projected images, especially as this time you can't just pick out your 5 best bird pictures or landscapes, excellent as they might be. For this challenging evening you have to show your skills across the board, and a wide range of topics too. This really sorts the truly talented photographer from the rest of us.

While we are going through our files this is a good time to look for suitable images for our Annual Exhibition, which is not much later in the year on 25th April. This is always a popular village event, so please would all our regular visitors note this date in your diary; every year someone tells us they were disappointed because they forgot, or double booked. How could you survive the year without our unique cards and super cakes? (And we have such beautiful pictures too.)

For the rest of February and March we have four evenings which should not only be interesting but also very instructive. On 13th Feb. we have 'Compose yourself' by the President of Cambridge Camera Club, Jonathan Vaines. Our well-known local photographer, Ann Miles, makes a popular return to our club on 5th Mar. to explain her own distinctive style of creative photography. We have another Members' Evening on Mar, 12th when we can look forward to being dazzled by the work of our own friends, and generously let into the secrets of how they do it. Something in which many will want to take part is a Workshop by Audrie Reed of Beautiful Memories, 'Taking Photographs and Videos for your Family History' which will be on 19th Mar.

As we are unable to meet at the College on 20th Feb. we might plan a trip to Hamerton Zoo on that Thursday, or maybe on the following Saturday, 1st Mar. (Check the website).

Do come along any Thursday night, (but be sure the College is open first of course.) Look out for posters through the village. Members free, Visitors £4.

Mo Hadfield
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An update from Fen Drayton Lakes

A Nightingale Sang in Fen Drayton Lakes

Nightingale is one of those species that most people have heard of, but few have seen. These renowned songsters are closely related to the robin, but are a little larger and the very definition of a 'little brown bird'. Despite their plain looks, nightingales are deserving of their reputation as wonderful singers with studies identifying up to 600 different sounds in their repertoire.

Sadly, nightingale are not doing well in the UK. They are summer visitors, arriving to southern and eastern counties in the spring from their wintering grounds in West Africa to spend the breeding season here. Data from the British Trust for Ornithology suggests that the UK breeding population has declined by 90% since the 1960s, and they have recently been placed on the Birds of Conservation Concern Red List, meaning they are at the highest level of conservation concern and at risk of disappearing as a UK species.

We are lucky to be in a part of the UK where nightingales are clinging on. In the 2018 breeding season, we located two territorial singing males on the reserve. Unfortunately, we didn't find any in 2019, but that doesn't necessarily mean that there were none.

Now that we are in the winter habitat management season, we are carrying out important work at the reserve, as guided by our reserve management plan, to create new areas specifically designed for breeding nightingale following guidance published by the BTO and advice from other sites.

It will take a while for us to see the fruits of our labour, but we are hopeful that nightingales will continue to sing at Fen Drayton Lakes for many years to come.

Nightingale - John Bridges (rspb-images.com)

Get involved….

Wednesday Wander

Ever thought you'd like to know more about the reserve and its wildlife? Informal volunteer-led guided walks take place on the second Wednesday of every month.
There's no need to book and it only costs £3 for members and £4 for others.
Meet at the main car park, leaving at 10:15am.

Volunteering

It's always nice to be met with a friendly face when arriving at the reserve and be offered information and family-friendly activities, such as pond dipping and minibeast hunting. If you'd like to find out about our visitor engagement work and other volunteering opportunities, please get in touch.

Email: fendraytonlakes@rspb.org.uk
Phone: 01954 233260

Visit **rspb.org.uk/fendraytonlakes**

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) is a registered charity: England and Wales no. 207076, Scotland no. SC037654

Swavesey & District History Society

November meeting. Around 45 members listened to the curious history of labyrinths and mazes as told by Dr Julie Bounford of Great Gransden. The story, which spans 4,000 years, comes from historical and classical literature produced by travellers and historians. Essentially a maze is a puzzle which may have many paths whereas a labyrinth has only one path. The aim of both designs is to make your way to the centre. The earliest recordings of labyrinths have been found scratched on rocks throughout Europe with probably the oldest in a Neolithic tomb in Sardinia, drawn in 2,000 to 2,500 BC although another in Ireland may date back as far as 3,200 BC. The Egyptians constructed underground labyrinths to tombs and the Romans made mosaic labyrinths on the floors of their villas. In Europe many mediaeval labyrinths were constructed on church walls and floors. The labyrinth in Ely cathedral, about 20 feet across, was laid in 1870 during restoration work. At Bourn church in South Cambs a striking maze was laid under the font in 1875.

There were once over 40 turf mazes in Britain, but these can survive only if they are managed and today only 8 remain. The turf maze at Hilton was cut in 1660. There is a very impressive maze cut in 1699, or possibly earlier, on Saffron Walden common which measures 132 feet (2 cricket pitch lengths) from corner to corner. This is the largest turf maze in Europe. There was one at Comberton but this was destroyed in 1929. Hampton Court has a garden maze whose hedges were first planted in 1689 to 1695 and which have been replanted several times over the years. In the 18th century Capability Brown promoted informal designs for gardens, as a result of which numerous hedge mazes were destroyed. As well as a turf maze, Saffron Walden also has a hedge maze which was planted in 1838 and restored in 1984. The first maize-maze was constructed in USA in 1993 and contained nearly 2 miles of walking. Maize-mazes are still constructed annually today. The biggest modern maze is in China, 8 acres in size with over 5 miles of walking.

December meeting. A good sized audience turned out for the AGM and after the formal proceedings Dr Pete Gladders from Elsworth gave a talk entitled 'An obsession with dandelions". This featured the trial and demise of Herbert Rowse Armstrong. He read law at Cambridge University from 1887 and became a solicitor in Hay-on-Wye, Herefordshire in 1895. After service in the First World War, he returned to Hay where he was regarded as a pillar of society. There was rivalry with another solicitor Oswald Martin who thought Armstrong was trying to kill him after taking ill following afternoon tea with him. Arsenic was found in Martin's urine sample taken four days later. A box of chocolates was delivered anonymously to Martin about this time and his sister-in-law became very ill when she ate some of them (Martin did not like to eat chocolates). Some of the chocolates had holes drilled in the base and one contained a lethal dose of arsenic. Armstrong was soon arrested on a charge of attempted murder. The police then moved quickly to exhume the body of Armstrong's wife Kitty who had died a few months previously. A lethal dose of arsenic was found in her body. Armstrong now faced a charge of murder. When arrested he was caught trying to hide a sachet of arsenic that he had in his pocket. At his trial Armstrong tried to explain that he used arsenic to kill dandelions in his garden but failed to convince the jury. The defence argued that Kitty had committed suicide. He was tried by a 'hanging judge' who seemed to take over the prosecution and misled the jury by giving the impression that the defence had to prove it was suicide. This was not so, and the case should have rested on the prosecution proving guilt. Various books and television programmes have concluded that Armstrong's conviction was unsafe but that is not to say that he was innocent. He failed in an appeal and died by hanging at Gloucester jail in 1922. After the speaker a light buffet, including mulled apple juice, was kindly provided by the Committee Members.

Next meeting: - 21 April. The history of Marshall's airport. Terry Holloway.

Swavesey Festival 100 Club

Three winners each month receive £60 or £30 or £15.
To take part in this popular competition phone
Gill Hurst 01954 200470. Latest winners are;

	£	Nov-19	Dec-19
First prize	60	Liz Errington	Ena Keerie
Second prize	30	Hilary Sydell	Geoff Green
Third prize	15	Neville Tait	Bridget Hendry

Swavesey Spartans

Its great to see the green being used again for boys and girls football, I'm told that the surface is first class now that the ruts have been filled in.

I'm writing this just before Christmas on a freezing cold day, with all of our teams playing over the weekend, I feel that I must pay tribute to all of the managers and assistants of our sixteen teams, who give up most weekends for six months every year to enable our young people to play football.

Without these unpaid volunteers devoting time to the teams, over 250 players would have to play outside the village.

Best

Gary Peet
Swavesey Spartans Chairman

WI News

Dates for your Diary	
13th January	Auction of Gifts – come and get a bargain
10th February	My Canal Mania – Geoff Lambert and his dog
9th March	Hats and Fascinators Workshop-In time for those Easter weddings.

Swavesey W.I. is your women's institute set up originally for country women to enjoy interests and education. We have friendly meetings on the 2nd Monday every month in the Memorial Hall from 7.30 to about 9.30 pm. Also we have groups :- book club, dining-out, walking, darts and, of course, Compass café on the 2nd Thursday. Why not come and meet some of us at the cafe? A cup of tea or fresh coffee for £1 and a slice of homemade cake, also £1. Plus good company. Plus free drinks for children and lots of toys to play with.

Just to give you a taste of our meetings these are the write-ups of recent meetings:-

November

There was very nearly a misunderstanding with the title of our last speakers talk 'A Cambridge blue badge'. At least one member thought that it was to be a talk on 'disabled car badges'! In the event in was an excellent talk by Peter Hains, who is a Cambridge guide. He took us on a virtual reality tour, with slides, of the colleges from an art historian's view point. Even members, who had lived here all their lives, learned interesting facts. Unfortunately, he only got half way through his talk in the allotted hour but we all clapped loudly when he said that he would return next year to finish the tour.

December

To start our Christmas evening, along with the usual wine, Dr Tim Wreghitt talked to us about his exhibiting at the Chelsea Flower Show and much more. A very entertaining speaker. Next were the Christmas refreshments and we were persuaded to sing 'Twelve Days of Christmas.' May not do that last bit again but the warm mince pies were good! We tried putting the notices on a board to cut down the initial meeting time but we're not sure how many people read them. More about that after the next meeting.

Swavesey Ramblers - Disbanded

Glyn Jones Says, "We have decided to stop Swavesey Ramblers (after 13 years)".

LIBRARY NEWS:

We celebrated Christmas with A lively party attended by Father Christmas with other Activities, over 50 attended. Watch out for our coming Programme for 2020. HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We have free Wifi access to computers, a wide range of books for all ages. Come and join us. We have regular story times for young children. Look out for our posters We continue to welcome donations of good quality books for our shelves or to sell to meet our running costs. Come and join us at the Village College

If you are a member of the County Library service you can borrow all our books. You can order books and other material for collection at our Library. You and all your family can also join the library with us and borrow up to 12 books each! And remember - it's all Free!!

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Opening hours are now

Tuesday	15.30 to 17.30
Wednesday	18.00 to 20.00
Thursday	18.00 to 20.00

And the first and third Saturday in every month 10am to 12noon

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Your Library Committee can be contacted through:			
Richard Hart	202707		
Jacqui Fuller	230774	Sarah Hellon	230960
John Pook	230978	Doug and Lorraine Hunt	232478

We always welcome volunteers to help man the Library so please join us and keep your library alive!!!

The Manderson Trust is 30 this year!

The Manderson Trust for the disabled, to be found on Overcote Road in Over, is a registered charity run by volunteers and maintained by contributions from friends of the trust and other charitable organizations. It is 30 years old this year!

In the early 1980s Dennis Manderson had a dream to provide facilities for disabled anglers. He himself loved fishing and, being disabled, found it difficult to access suitable places to fish. In 1986 it became possible to buy the lakes at Over and in 1990 The Manderson Trust for the Disabled was registered as a charity and work began to make Dennis' dream come true. Since 1993 it has been open as a fishing venue.

The Trust is run and maintained entirely by a small group of unpaid volunteers. With the help of these volunteers, through fishing matches, donations, scrounging goods and services, it raises money to maintain and improve the facilities. Initially 2 lakes were combined to make 1 large lake and a further 3 lakes have been made accessible to fishermen. The focus is mostly on Carp but Roach, Rudd, Tench, Bream, Perch and the occasional Goldfish can all be had. Large fish up to 18lb are found in lake 5. Exciting surface fishing is a great way to spend an evening in the summer. Lake 3 is full of silver fish and a great place to bring beginners.

Pathways have been made, grassed areas seeded with wildflowers and trees and bushes are thriving in the extensive area of planting. The top end of the site has been developed as a haven for wildlife. Foxes, deer and badgers are seen by early rising fishermen and those set up for night sessions. Nesting Swans, Moorhen, Coots and Ducks join Kingfishers on the water.

'The Centre' building, provides toilet facilities and a rest room where hot and cold drinks, in fact a complete meal, can be prepared.

In 1994 Dennis Manderson died and a memorial garden was created at the Lakes in his memory.

The Manderson Trust is dedicated to provide fishing facilities with easy access for disabled people and day ticket and season fishing at reasonable rates for the non-disabled. There are also tickets and annual membership rates for OAPs, families and juniors.

In 2020, aided by The Environment Agency and The Angling Trust, we will embark on a program of improvement and renewal. Fishing platform upgrades, a weed control program, wildlife pond development and path access to our wooded area are just a few things on our 'To Do' list for the year. All are welcome come and see what we have to offer and to take advantage of the fishing available while helping a good cause. Volunteers are always welcome too.

The website, www.themandersontrust.co.uk and Facebook page provide up-to-date information about the Trust. Any queries please contact John on 07756883175

Day Tickets (Maximum 2 Rods)	
Day ticket	£6.00 per rod
Day ticket	£8.00 for 2 rods
Day ticket OAP	£3.50
Day ticket under 16 years with an adult	£2.50 per rod
Season Tickets	
Disabled people full year membership	£15.00 (Donation)
Carer - fishing with cared for person	£2.50
Carer - otherwise	£15.00
Friends of the Trust	
Associate Annual ticket	£55.00
OAP Annual ticket	£27.50
Junior Annual ticket (under 16)	£15.00
Family Annual ticket (Husband, Wife and children up to and including 16 years of age	£65.00
Night session ticket (Annual) [Members only]	£25.00

MISCELLANY

Swavesey Festival 2020
6th June -13th June
Theme for 2020; "Around the World"

If our timings are right you are sitting down reading this with less than 5 months until Festival week is upon us!

With a lot of hard work and determination going on behind the scenes, the programme is nearly finalised with old and new events appearing on the list.

The new festival committee felt a change in some formats would be welcome, but of course it's good to keep some historic familiarity too

The list is shaping up but an insight into some of the events is detailed here:

The First weekend 6-7th June:

Scarecrows (on the theme of "Around The World")

Exhibition at St Andrew's Church about "Landscapes of the World" this will also include smaller exhibitions by the Quilting Groups and Swavesey Camera Club.

The Memorial Hall Café returns this time with a Phileas Fogg theme along with arts and crafts for the children to participate in.

Open Gardens & Allotments

Community Choir at St Andrew's Church 6th June at 7pm "Around the World in 80 minutes"

Midweek 8th-12th June

History Walk a popular event in 2016, Selwyn ran it for two evenings!

Storytime at the Library

Family Fitness Evening session on the Village Green hosted by Jim Stevenson

Silent Disco A disco with a difference from 14 years to adults on Village Green

Evening Concert Over Community Singers and Drummers at Swavesey Windmill

Saturday 13th June

Parade, Gala Day and Village Show

Music on the Green featuring "Grape Marmalade" and "Big 10" finishing with **Fireworks** to celebrate Festival 2020.

Your next copy of "The Meridian" will contain a full programme together with details of times and venues and how to obtain tickets. We will as in previous years, produce a "Passport" for a small fee which will give access to the exhibitions, gardens and some events. The main events are ticketed; most of the entry fees are very reasonable and are simply charged to cover our costs.

Details can be found on our website www.swavesey-festival.co.uk

Our website has all the entry forms for Gala Day pitches, Village Show and the "100" club. For up to date breaking news and updates on Festival week, please follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

Due to time constraints for printing this is now our last call for any further events for the Festival and Gala Day Pitches which you would like to be advertised in the programme. Additionally, we continue to look for sponsors for the Festival, so please do get in touch.

Even before Festival week, events are bubbling away:

Saturday 21st March: The fabulous Pop Quiz at The Windmill. Tickets £8 each, bring your own nibbles.

Saturday 16th May, The Great Gatsby comes to Swavesey, 1920's Jazz Night with food at The Windmill. Tickets £20 each. Time to find your flapper dresses or be a Peaky Blinder

The Pantaloons are back in the village next year, however due to their popularity we couldn't tie them into Festival week. They are booked for **Wednesday 15th July** on Market Street Green performing "Sherlock Holmes".

The effort and time given continues on the Committee into preparing a very full week of activities. Please come along to as many events as you can, fingers crossed for sunny skies in June!

Please feel free to contact me about any of the above:

via email at hello@swaveseywindmill.co.uk

or call me on 07747 002296

Lisa Boyes

Chairperson

Swavesey Festival Committee

Open Gardens
(and much more)
Sat 6 and Sun 7 June 2020

The range of venues included in 2020 “Open Gardens” is even wider than before. As well as gardens throughout the village, Hale Road Allotments will be open as usual and The Windmill in Hale Road, which proved such a popular attraction in 2018, will also be open again on both days. More than that, the Community Orchard on Church Green (field opposite Swan Pond) will also be open, with volunteers to show you around.

Among private gardens we hope to have some which have opened in previous years and, new for 2020, we might have gardens from Black Horse Lane and Gibraltar Lane to Pine Grove Park and Boxworth End. However, we could do with a few more new ones especially in Priory Avenue/Carter’s Way and Moat Way/Whitegate Close. If you are willing to open your garden on one or both days contact Selwyn on 07731 585450 or at selwyn.richardson1@gmail.com.

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Facebook or real life

For those of my generation who do not use and cannot comprehend why Facebook exists, I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles.

Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passersby what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, what I will do later and with whom.

I give them pictures of my family, my dog and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch and doing what anybody and everybody does every day.

I also listen to their conversations, give them the thumbs up and tell them I like them. And it works just like Facebook.

I already have four people following me: two police officers, a private investigator and a psychiatrist.

Submitted by Viki Letzer

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More Entry Classes than ever before
Village Show in the Marquee
Saturday 13 June 2020

One of the many highlights of Swavesey Festival is the Village Show in the marquee on Gala Day. This year it is organised again by Hale Road Allotments and we would like Swavesey residents of all ages to help us to make it even more successful than in 2018. Total entries from children and adults were 382 in 2016 and 491 in 2018. We would like to get this up to around 600 in 2020. Having studied the previous entry numbers in each class we changed some and added several new ones.

Hard copies of the Village Show guidance, Classes, exhibit fees and entry form will be available in summer but for those who are keen to put plans in place they can be found now on the Festival website, along with the programme of all Festival 2020 events, at swaveseyfestival.org.uk. Take a look now

Village show entry classes 2020

Adults' entries

Flowers	
1. A miniature flower arrangement – max 14 cm tall from base of container.	4. 6 sweet peas, up to 3 different varieties.
2. A buttonhole involving flowers.	5. A single rose.
3. A vase of 5 different garden flowers.	
Vegetables and fruit	
6. 8 strawberries, including stalks.	12. 3 beetroot – tops trimmed to 5 cm.
7. 10 gooseberries, including stalks.	13. 3 bulb onions – foliage trimmed and tied.
8. 5 asparagus spears - 14 to 18 cm long.	14. 5 pods of broad beans.
9. 3 courgettes – max 15 cm long, any colour.	15. 5 radish – tops trimmed to 3 cm.
10. 1 lettuce – minimum of outside leaves removed.	16. 3 different types of vegetable (1 of each).
11. 3 new potatoes – medium sized tubers washed.	
Preserves	
17. A jar of citrus marmalade.	21. A jar of lemon curd.
18. A jar of soft fruit jam, any variety.	22. A jar of chutney.
19. A jar of stoned fruit jam, any variety.	23. A jar of pickled mixed vegetables.
20. A jar of herb or fruit jelly.	24. A jar of any single pickled vegetable.
Home Baking	
25. A cake made using vegetables.	30. A fruit cake.
26. 3 individual savoury picnic pies.	31. 4 chocolate brownies.
27. 4 cheese scones.	32. 4 identical cakes containing coconut.
28. Set recipe cake. (recipe will be supplied).	33. A cob loaf (bread makers permitted).
29. A fat-less sponge sandwich.	34. A soda bread loaf.
Other Produce	
35. A bottle of elderflower cordial.	36. A bottle of any fruit gin.
Handicraft	
37. An item of needlework.	40. An item made for a child.
38. A knitted item.	41. A handmade hat – any medium.
39. A crocheted item.	

Children's entries

Cookery	
42. Under 5 years - decorate 3 purchased biscuits.	45. 10-14 years - decorate 3 purchased biscuits.
43. 5-7 years - decorate 3 purchased biscuits.	46. 14-18 years - decorate 3 purchased biscuits.
44. 7-10 years - decorate 3 purchased biscuits.	
47. 5-7 years - 3 chocolate birds' nests from breakfast cereal, with eggs etc.	
48. 7-10 years - 3 chocolate birds' nests from breakfast cereal, with eggs etc.	
49. 10-14 years - 3 chocolate birds' nests from breakfast cereal, with eggs etc.	
50. 14-18 years - 3 chocolate birds' nests from breakfast cereal, with eggs etc.	
Craft	
51. Under 5 years - a picture of me on at the seaside (not a photo).	55. 5-7 years – a miniature garden.
52. 5-7 years - a collage of outer space.	56. 7-10 years – a miniature garden.
53. 7-10 years - a collage of outer space.	57. 10-14 years – a miniature garden.
54. 10-14 years - a collage of outer space.	
58. Under 5 years - a decorated stone.	61. 5-7 years - a piece of jewellery involving beads.
59. 5-7 years - a decorated stone.	62. 7-10 years - a piece of jewellery involving beads.
60. 7-10 years - a decorated stone.	63. 10-14 years - a piece of jewellery involving beads.
	64. 14-18 years - a piece of jewellery involving beads.
65. 5-7 years - an original Lego model (not made from a kit).	67. 10-14 years - an original Lego model (not made from a kit).
66. 7-10 years - an original Lego model (not made from a kit).	

The Children's Society

A very big thank you to all the people in the village who have contributed to The Children's Society this year. In March the box collection raised £1205.13. The Christingle Service held on 1st December was as delightful as ever. About 200 people attended and the ring of candlelight formed around the church was magical. Our thanks go to Clare Drake for providing the oranges and to the Branches Youth team for assembling the Christingles. We were able to send £342 from this service.

In total in 2019 we have been able to send £1547.13 to help The Children's Society with their work with the poor, disadvantaged or homeless young people in this country.

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A Glance at the Past in February and March From the Cambridge Chronicle

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1802, 27 Mar. Auction sale of Live & Dead Stock for Ready Money on Tues 30 March on the premises of Mrs Webster who is giving up the business. 2 six year old mares, 1 three year old colt, 1 nag mare y7 years old 2 three year old heifers in calf,, 4 springing heifers, 1 springing cow, 3 cow in profit, 1 barren cow, 108 sheep, 5 carts such as 2 dung carts, 1 long cart, 2 market carts, ploughs, harrows, roll. Harness for 6 horses & other implements with a quantity of well-seasoned plough timber & 3 dozen hurdles. Sale to start at 10 a.m. all to be sold the same day.

1806, 8 Feb. New Vicar. Rev Townley Clarkson M.A. Fellow & Bursar of Jesus College has been instituted by the bishop of Ely to the Vicarage of Swavesey, on the presentation of the Master & Fellows of the said society.

1846, 28 Feb. Incendiary Fire. Last Sunday evening at half past six a fire, evidently the work of an incendiarist broke out in the straw stack in cow Fen, the property of John Dodson of Swavesey. There was plenty of water at hand, but the stack was wholly consumed before the flames could be arrested. It was insured with the Royal Exchange Office.

1851, 8 Feb. Ancient Shepherds. The First anniversary Meeting of the Brethren of the Wheatsheaf Lodge took place at hosts, Mithams, on Wednesday last. Upwards of twenty five brethren sat down to an excellent dinner. Mr Ellis, surgeon of Swavesey presided and was supported by Mr Pinchard, surgeon of Cottenham. After dinner the members went in procession around the village in their costumes accompanied by an excellent band of music. They afterwards returned to host Mitham and spent the evening in a very agreeable manner. Th society is flourishing.

1860, 25 Feb. School & Choir Treat. Dinner given to day & night scholars, teachers & Church Choir. Almost two hundred attended.

1868, 1 Feb. The Swavesey Outrage. (Long report concerning R.L. the accused, and the amount of money he had spent at The Wheatsheaf public house at Girton).

1868, 8 Feb. Swavesey Outrage Evidence. Samuel Wilderspin told how he stopped the horse & cart as it was coming into the village and found the badly injured many lying in the back. He led the horse to the Cricketers public house and called for assistance. Samuel Day came out and looked inside the cart and said "It's poor old Jem Williams. A doctor was sent for . Another witness said that the trouser pockets of Williams were turned the wrong side out.

1868, 22 Feb. Murderous Assault Verdict. Evidence by Mr Daniel, the surgeon at Swavesey, the victim had sustained a fractured skull, there were eight wounds in his head. Mary Williams, wife of James Williams said he had very little money on him when he left home that morning. Miss Windridge said she paid Williams £5-4s-0d on the 26 Dec. Evidence by James Williams would suggest his memory was poor or impaired. R.L found guilty and sentenced to penal servitude for life.

1869, 27 Mar. Wildfowl. (Long article on cormorant which was shot in the Fens. This creature considered to be a sea fowl. Mentions large quantities of water flowing and flooding the Fen District. Mentions a Cambridge Camel, or the name given to a Fenman on stilts).

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John Fordham

It is with great sadness that I have to report the passing of John Fordham, who previously lived in School Lane and Thistle Green and latterly resided in Old Colwyn, North Wales.

John passed away peacefully, after a long battle against cancer, on Tuesday 8 October 2019 with his wife Anne by his side.

Some of you may recall him as being a kitchen designer and fitter with his own company, Priory Kitchens and Interiors.

John will, I am sure, be remembered fondly by many in the village as he was one of lifes true gentlemen.

John will be greatly missed by his wife Anne, sons David and Stephen, daughter Emma, stepson David Wilsher, their partners and his grandchildren Scott, Evie, Max and Dylan.

Rest in peace, my friend (Phil).

Len Wagstaff

The family of the late Len Wagstaff of School Lane would like to say a big thank you for all the beautiful cards and letters we received when Len passed away on 24 November.

Also to the people who came to say goodbye at his cremation and for the kind donations in his memory to Swavesey Surgery equipment fund

Once again thank you all

John Ardley O.B.E died 10th December 2019

John and Margaret moved to Swavesey in 1975 with their two young children. John took an active part in village life whilst either working in Cambridge, London or Brussels.

He helped at the primary school fireworks displays amongst various village events including the Meridian celebrations, was chairman of the parish council for several years and a Governor at Swavesey Village College.

He enjoyed being editor of this magazine in the late 1990's. One April Fool's day he said that a rocket launched in Market Street.

As John's Parkinson's disease progressed he had to retire but still went to as many Swavesey events as he could. Many villagers will recall him speeding along on his mobility scooter!

Margaret Ardley

Colin Cleland

Since our last update in the Meridian things have been moving forward! If you didn't see last time, we are aiming to raise £7,500 for Alzheimer's Research UK by riding 660km Coast-to-Coast through the Pyrenees in the space of six days with Le Domestique Tours. This is all in memory of our late grandfather, Colin Cleland, who helped the Meridian when he was still able to. Our hope is to raise money for a disease that rips away one's memories to fund research in future cures. Alzheimer's is the most common cause of dementia, and we hope, as we honour those we have lost, you can help us by reflecting on those you have also lost to this terrible disease.

Now time for some updates! Across the last 2 months we have passed some important milestones. In November, it was a year since our grandfather passed away, and it was a shock for us all to think how fast life moves in the time that we have been without him. We have also remembered our Grandpa on his birthday, another moment for us to reflect on why we are raising money for this amazing cause. This has been motivating for us, to keep pressing on with the training and fundraising. We have transitioned to indoor trainers, not only to avoid the cold and dark weather, but to make the most of being able to ride the virtual routes of those we will be riding in the summer. We have already been able to challenge ourselves on the climbs from the first few days.

We have now raised £700, with exciting fundraising activities being planned for the new year. We hope to be able to tell you more about these soon! As mentioned in our last update we are able to announce we are now Torq Nutrition ambassadors, and have been working closely with IBEN cycle clothing. Both have proved beneficial in being able to fuel and dress appropriately for long winter training! Our first donation buckets are returning to us, and promising to bolster our fundraising efforts. We are looking at getting some out in the village in the near future, so please contact us if this is something you would be interested in supporting, we would love to hear from you!!

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Citi 5 Bus Service Changes from Jan 2020

The Parish Council was informed on Mon 16th December 2019, by a County Cllr, of substantial changes to the Citi 5 bus service as of January 2020. The service has been split up at Bar Hill into the 5, 5A and 5C. There is concern about what happens to residents travelling to and from the villages beyond Bar Hill if the connecting Citi 5 service is late. New Timetable from Jan 2020

This could lead passengers to be delayed for an hour for the next service (as there is only one 5A/C an hour) and this will impact on both convenience and passenger usage. There will also be a reduction or change in service times for some villages. It is also noted that Stagecoach have not put up any posters on buses or at stops to communicate these changes so far or written directly to the Parish Councils. As such we are informing you of the changes as they have been sent to us by a local Councillor.

This will impact all of the residents on the existing Citi 5 route and we would urge you to write to Stagecoach cambridge.enquiries@stagecoachbus.com and your County Councillor Mandy Smith, Mandy.Smith@cambridgeshire.gov.uk regarding the changes, if they affect your usage of the bus service.

More information at: https://www.stagecoachbus.com/promos-and-offers/east/service-changes-january-2020

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Where I grew up. Part 2

For those of you who missed the first instalment, having spent three years up to the age of four and a half in Singapore, I was posted back to the UK (not by mail I should point out) along with the rest of my army employed family. Thus, we found ourselves based at Bordon Camp in rural Hampshire.

The quarters were very Coronation Street, being rows of two up, two down terraced houses backing onto each other. The first curiosity was the lack of fans in the ceiling, their relentless swish replaced by an electric light bulb, which ought, normally, to reside in a standard lamp. Secondly, my best friend and next door neighbour from Singapore was domiciled just a few doors down. How great was that!

Within a few weeks of arrival, we visited grandma in Birmingham where I was introduced to the wonders of television. There was no such thing in Singapore. I spent the whole of Saturday afternoon waiting for the children's' programs to come on, having to endure endless sport interspersed with adverts. Every break seemed to include a cartoon and I was assured this was not the start of the children's' section but was for Baby Cham. It certainly looked like Bambi. A couple of weeks later our own TV arrived (a rental) and I remember settling down with mother to watch the first episode of a new series where people lived in houses like ours.

Bordon was surrounded by woods where the soldiers could play and us kids had pretty much free reign to explore. We would disappear after breakfast and often not resurface until teatime, especially in summer. We were each kitted out with a pen knife with which we would inevitably fabricate bows and arrows or swap bodily fluids in a blood brotherhood. I suppose, as the parents had survived a world war, they had a more circumspect view of life (and death).

No better was this reflected than in the play park. No squidgy tiles here. There was an enormously high slide accompanied by a ridiculously long see-saw, as well as the usual swings, all embedded into solid ground. And never any adult supervision as far as I can recall. However, it was during an argument with one of those swings that I obtained a deep scar above my right eye. My mother's face was a picture as I bowled up at the back door, a bloody mess.

School was just at the end of the road and after the first day all the children found their own way there. I can only remember three of the teachers; Pat, a red-head who obviously fancied my dad (he did look like Clark Gable), an old grey-haired lady who would give you six-pence if you did exceptional work and Miss Bezant, the head-mistress who was very strict. I loved it though, especially play time where we would re-enact "Rawhide" or "Wagon Train", not that we were allowed to watch often as it came on at 8:00 p.m., gone bedtime, or play 'Kiss Chase'. I had an unrequited crush on Susan (last name withheld), unrequited in that she could always run faster than me.

Although we now had hot water and a proper bath my parents were not to be hindered in their pursuit of my cold water torture. Every second weekend we would pile into the Austin A30 and drive off to the various seaside resorts on the south coast. In those days the infrastructure was such that we spent many hours breathing the lead-lined fumes of all the other families parked on the A3 between Petersfield and Waterlooville. My favourite destinations were Southsea and Littlehampton, as they had the best funfairs.

But all good things must come to an end and this idyll faded into history on February 10th, 1963. I remember being called out of class by the headmaster and as we walked up the wide, wooden staircase to his office he asked me to be very brave. All sorts of things whizzed through my mind such as "Does he want me to jump into a lake and save somebody?" It transpired that my father had been killed in a road accident in Benghazi. As all we had belonged to the army we were to be cast adrift, so my mother decided to return to her roots in Birmingham.

There was a silver cloud, however. During the next game of 'Kiss Chase' Susan allowed me to catch her and requite my passion, before embarking on a new adventure in the Midlands.

Chas Barclay, Moat Way

Where I grew up - Varinder Sagoo

I was born in 1943 at Mango hospital in Kampala, the capital city of Uganda. My family are Sikh and were originally from the Punjab in India. My Grandfather and his brothers moved to Africa in the 1920s to help build the railways. They arrived in Mombasa and then moved with the railway construction to Nairobi and then finally onto Kampala where we settled.

My father and grandfather started a construction business in Kampala called Bawa Singh Bharj Construction Ltd which was very successful and became a household name in Uganda. The company constructed a number of banks, university facilities, schools, factories, shopping malls and a hospital.

We lived in a large house on Kololo Hill in Kampala. My parents, uncle, aunt, grandparents and great-grandparents along with us children lived together in the house. I am the second eldest of ten children and have four brothers and five sisters.

The lifestyle was different, and we had a gardener, cleaner, cook, maid and a driver who would take us to and from school. We also had two guard dogs for the house. We had a lovely big garden with mango, avocado, papaya and guava trees. We loved playing in the garden with our neighbours – especially playing on the swing and climbing the mango tree to pick the fruit.

My father was very highly regarded and respected in the community – he was appointed as the first non-white City Councillor (by HRH Queen Elizabeth as Uganda was a British Colony at the time), as well as being a Rotarian, Freemason, and President of the Sikh Society. He also served on the Board of Prisons, Schools, Labour Arbitration and Construction Society. In 1965 Princess Margaret visited Kampala and my father attended a reception to meet her – we were all so excited for him!

We would often have parties at our house, and I remember people arriving all dressed up. We all used to help with the cooking before the party and we were allowed to stay up and meet the guests before going to bed.

I went to Kololo High School. I had lots of friends at school and I remember we enjoyed putting on plays that involved lots of Bhangra dancing!

There was a big open-air cinema in Kampala near where we lived, and my family used to enjoy going to watch Indian and English films. We would pack baskets of food to take with us to have during the interval. We would often need to take three cars to get us all there. We also had a truck, so if we couldn't fit everyone in the cars, we'd ride in the back of the truck. We'd all sit outside and enjoy the film. The weather in Kampala was lovely (being on the equator) and we didn't need jumpers or cardigans outside as the temperature was always between 20 – 28°C and mostly dry.

After finishing High School, I did a one-year course at a private college to learn typing and shorthand. Then in 1966 I got married. My husband was from Tanzania. It was an arranged marriage and I had not met my husband before the wedding.

The wedding took place in a marquee in the garden at our house. My husband's family all came from Dar es Salam. There were lots of people, lots of food, lots of presents and lots of singing and dancing. Indian wedding ceremonies normally go on for about a week. Shortly after the wedding we moved to London where my husband had been studying engineering before we got married.

London was very different to Kampala, especially the cold weather. When we first arrived, we didn't know many people there. I had a cousin who lived in Wembley, but none of my immediate family were here in the UK. Life was a struggle accustoming to a new way of life in a new country with a society that wasn't always accepting.

In 1972 Idi Amin, the President of Uganda decreed all the Asians to leave the country within 90 days. My family had to leave all their properties, wealth and possessions and were only allowed to take one suitcase per person. I haven't ever travelled back to Kampala, but my younger brothers did later go back to reclaim the properties in 1994 after the Ugandan Government came to an agreement with the UN and WDB to return the properties confiscated from the Asians although it is not the same anymore.

I lived in London until 2010, having raised my children there, before I moved to Swavesey to be close to my son and daughter-in-law (who had moved here in 2004) and help look after my two grandsons. I have made some very good friends in Swavesey and really enjoy living here.

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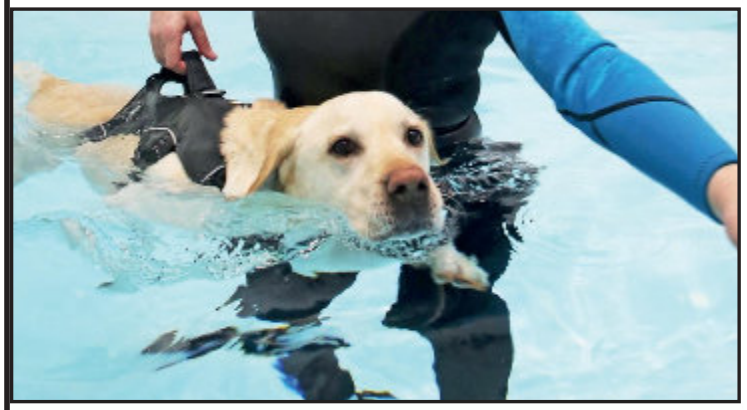

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Scouts: Spring Term 2020

Scouts
1st Swavesey

Christmas 2019 was our 3rd year of doing the Christmas Post for the residents of Swavesey, even though there are fewer Christmas cards being sent it is still a service that we like to provide for the community.

This term we welcomed a new leader into Scouts, James has decided to become a leader since turning 18 during the Christmas period.

We are hoping that even though the weather may be bad that we can still get out of the hut as much as possible. We all look forward to Shrove Tuesday in February, it is a good evening where we all get to cook and eat pancakes.

Badges that we are looking at doing will be our hobbies badge and hopefully some more which will go towards the Scout challenge badges.

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Girlguiding in Swavesey have had lots to celebrate this year

1st Swavesey Guide unit has awarded seven Baden Powell Awards this year.
What is the Baden-Powell Award? It was introduced as the highest award issued in the Guide section since 1983. A Guide working on this award has to choose ten challenges across five different sections. She then has to take part in a 'Baden-Powell Adventure' where she meets other Guides working on the challenge and they try new activities and finds out about the opportunities available in Senior Section (now Rangers). The Baden-Powell Award ceased to be issued on 31 August 2019 and is replaced with the Guide Gold Award.

At the start of the year, Naomi, Ella, Rhiannon, Alison and Havyn went to ICANDO in London to take part in their Baden-Powell Adventure. They made team mascots on Friday evening and on Saturday played the London Monopoly Challenge.
In August, Jasmine and Alanna spent 24 hours at Blacklands Farm at their Baden-Powell Adventure. These two girls made friends with Guides from Hull and had a go at tunnelling, abseiling, crate stacking, archery and rifle shooting.
Some of the challenges these seven Guides completed for their award included a unit fun run to raise money and awareness for the Bumblebee Conservation Trust, several games evenings and international evenings and cooking competitions, each organised by one or two Guides. Outside of meetings, one Guide helped at an after school art club, others made posters to highlight environmental or social issues, they completed a variety of interest badges, such as World Issues, Discovering Faith, Agility and Party Planner.

Finally, each Guide had to meet the Over District Commissioner to discuss what they had done to achieve the award before being put forward as having successfully completed the Baden-Powell Award. They all passed with flying colours.

Over District Rangers celebrated the achievement of one of our Rangers, Lara, who was awarded the Chief Guide Award just before it ceased to be issued. Lara also completed her Commonwealth Award this year and achieved her Senior Section Camp Permit and took her fellow Rangers camping.

SWAVESEY PARISH

Parish Council News November/December 2020

COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW
South Cambridgeshire District Council is to decide the form of local governance for Northstowe including boundaries and if it is to be a Parish or Town Council. Swavesey is not directly affected by the changes but the PC is carefully monitoring the discussions and consultations that are ongoing.

TIME BANKING
Swavesey and Over Parish Councils are to include a budget in the coming year to take forward the setting up of the scheme. A further report on progress will be forthcoming in the New Year.

THE COMMUNITY ORCHARD
The PC has signed a lease for the land to be used for the orchard and agreed a maintenance agreement with the Orchard Group. Villagers have shared in planting 40 fruit trees and 500 daffodil bulbs. The orchard is on Church Green opposite Middle Fen Drove. Well done to all those involved.

COUNTY COUNCIL
The PC is aware of many traffic problems in the village, particularly in Ramper Road and Rose and Crown Road. The PC continues to take up residents' concerns with our County Councillor and the Highways Department
Road repairs and maintenance are likely to result in road closures in the village. These will be notified by the PC through Facebook and the village website
Stagecoach are reviewing the Citi 5 bus service routes and timetable this will be in force when the Meridian is published. The PC is taking up residents' concerns with the County Council and Stagecoach and is concerned at the effect on users who rely on the service and are aware of the problems of those who live in Boxworth End and who have difficulties in accessing the Guided Busway.
The PC is waiting for a decision as to the success of our Local Highways Improvement bid to repair areas of the footpath in Boxworth End.

DISTRICT COUNCIL
The Dews bus to St Ives can be flagged down as it passes and is not restricted to formal bus stops.
The PC is very concerned at the current arrangements for maintaining the villages' byways, particularly Hale Road. There are problems because usage has increased over the years and current arrangements rely on farmers giving their time and equipment freely to maintain the surfaces. The byways rates and management by SCDC are to be discussed by the byways committee, SCDC and Landowners to find a way forward.
Anti fly tipping signs are to be put up in the village.

COUNCIL NEWS

A14 IMPROVEMENT SCHEME
The PC continues to monitor the impact of traffic on the village and concerns about the junction and road closures, The opening of the new section of the A14 road and the closure of the flyover in Huntingdon, at the time of reporting in December, is causing long delays for Swavesey residents. There is a promise that the opening of the local road will ease the situation. The PC will monitor progress
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VILLAGE MATTERS
A Christmas tree collection and recycling point was set up on Market Street Green.
PC stressed the need for the Neighbourhood Plan project to be progressed in time to impact on the next SCDC local plan in 2020.
The Phone box refurbishment is nearing completion.
Repair Café. The Clerk and the Sheddit Group have attended a workshop on organising a repair café in the Memorial Hall around February/ March 2020.
St Andrew's Church – The PC congratulates the Church on completing the Heritage Lottery Fund project to repair the chancel and north aisle roofs and an activity plan to make the church more of a community space

DRAINAGE
The PC is to press the Environment Agency to clear both the Turnbridge Drain and Church End drains to avoid flood situations.
Cllr Mr Wilderspin working with the Middle Level Commissioners and continues to press for action on major drainage works affecting the village

PLANNING.
Bushmead Homes at 130 Boxworth End have been refused permission to allow surface water from the development to drain into the foul drain.
Various planning matters have been considered by the PC.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH
Speed watch volunteers are urgently needed especially as many residents are concerned about speeding vehicles.

FINANCE
The PC is beginning to plan the budget for next year and the new rate precept for the village. A special meeting in January will set the precept.

Swavesey Parish Council
Website:- www.swavesey.org.uk

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OVER AND SWAVESEY PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION ITEM

Would you like to be part of a village wildlife initiative - A Community Swift Box Project? The Parish Councils are currently exploring the possibility of grant support for a swift box project providing much needed homes for swifts. A common swift, in its lifetime, travels between the UK and Africa and flies over about two million kilometers; much further than the distance to the moon and back. Weighing less than a hen's egg, they eat and sleep on the wing.

Swifts mate for life, returning each year from Africa to the same nest site. Traditionally, they build their nests in spaces under roof tiles and in the eaves of old houses and barns. But as we knock down and seal up older buildings and build modern, airtight houses swifts are short of safe places to lay their eggs before their breeding season is over. Here, the swift box is a marvellous solution and can be fitted to community buildings, school, houses - two or one storey.

If you are interested in being part of this project by having a swift box fitted to your property, then please could you contact Mandy Pink, Clerk, Over Parish Council 01487 843983 or 07717 207533 to register your interest.

NB. Swifts do not make any mess from their boxes (all that being done in flight) and the boxes do not need cleaning out. Help will be needed to put the boxes up so if you are able to assist then please contact the above.

From Your DC - Sue Ellington

Hello All

Happy New Year - May this year be less controversial than 2019.

There has been quite a lot going on at South Cambs District Council during purda (the period before the election). In relation to Christmas the staff and councillors have maintained their tradition of sending gifts for Fulbourn Hospital patients, and collected food for the food bank and homeless. Staff have been very busy preparing for the election especially a very large number of postal votes.

Consultations regarding the next Local Plan are progressing. This plan will cover both Cambridge and South Cambs so is taking a very long time to produce but will enable more joined up thinking for the area.

The Fly tipping initiative continues to be pursued. New Notices will be installed at key sites and further prosecutions are to be brought against those who deliberately litter our countryside. If you see anybody who is doing this please take their number-plate details and inform me or the council.

I am a member of the grants committee at SCDC which continues to make small community grants of £1000 or less for village charities, Please feel free to talk to me if your group needs help to buy sports equipment or other small items. This committee is also looking at supporting more mobile warden schemes - especially for groups of small villages working together.

The work on the A14 continues to cause the village considerable nuisance. Mandy Smith and I went to the Boxworth Depot on Saturday 7th to say it was not acceptable. We eventually found a traffic manager and asked that better signage be installed as many lorry drivers were just confused. He was very sympathetic but said that he did not have the power to stop people using the public highway. Extra signage was installed but it only made minimum difference. Let us hope they are prepared to reinstate our roads when they finish - we will be pushing hard. However the current situation which is causing significant tailbacks into the village also needs to be addressed, I hope this will have happened by the time you read this.

The review of the regulations for the licensing of taxis has been stalled temporally to allow for further consultation. The committee were not entirely satisfied with the proposals and felt they needed to take more comments into account so a further consultation period was necessary.

So, if you want to get in touch - sue.ellington@virgin.net, or cllr.ellington@scambs.gov.uk or 07774146331, 01954 202923.

Best wishes

Sue Ellington - District councillor Swavesey, Fen Drayton and Lolworth Ward.

Greater Cambridge Local Plan: The First Conversation

Ever walked past a building and wondered how it got planning permission? Worried about climate change and how we are going to adapt? Trying to buy a house and finding it really difficult?

The Council's Local Plan is the document that shapes our area's future and answers these big questions. It covers the key themes of climate change, biodiversity and green spaces, wellbeing and social inclusion, and great places. It will affect what kind of new homes get built and where, where businesses can grow and how buildings, streets and spaces should be designed. As a result, the Local Plan affects all of us – yet most people have never even heard of it.

But things are changing and we want you to be a part of it.

For the first time ever, Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council are preparing a joint Local Plan for the Greater Cambridge area: and this time we want to do better than ever before at working with you all to make it happen.

We will be starting a big conversation with the community, with many different ways to get involved, online and offline, on Monday 13 January. Please look out for more information nearer the time, and get in touch at www.greatercambridgeplanning.org

Help shape our future together!

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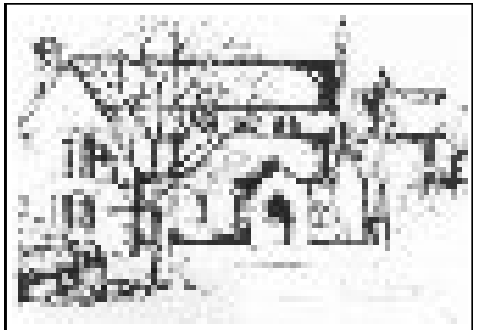

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Visit our website for up to date info on all activities at Bethel.

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Easter Holiday Club

For Primary School aged children between the 13th-17th April.
More information available soon

The Hub

An Open Access Youth Club for children and young people aged 11 to 16.
Open during term times only

Café Church

Join us for "Church Around the Coffee Table" at 10:45am.
Sunday 2nd February, Sunday 3rd March

Sunday Sanctuary

Sunday Sanctuary offers an alternative time of worship and reflection.
Sunday 16th February, Sunday 17th March

Compass Cafe

Compass Café is a community café which is run by a small group of different community organisations.
Every Thursday 10.30—12pm

The Parish Church of St Andrew, Swavesey

A warm welcome awaits you at your parish church.

Service Pattern		
1st Sunday of the month	11:00am	Holy Communion
2nd Sunday of the month	11:00 am	Morning Worship
3rd Sunday of the month	8am 11:00 am 7:00 pm	Holy Communion: Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion Sunday Sanctuary – Bethel Baptist Church
4th Sunday of the month	11:00 am	All Age Service
5th Sunday of the month	10:30am	Joint Benefice Holy Communion

Contact Details:
To arrange weddings, baptisms, funerals, services of thanksgiving for the gift of a child:

Team Rector: 01954 230434
Revd. Simon Gill Email: simon@5folds.org.uk
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Team Administrator: Telephone: 01954 203459
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St Andrew's Church Swavesey

St Andrew's Church News

Our new Team Vicar
By the time you read this, the process to appoint a new team vicar for the Five Folds Benefice should be well under way. By the end of December, the advertisement will have been finalised and circulated online and in the printed press. We are hoping to interview candidates by the end of March. This is an exciting time for all our churches and we are looking forward to welcoming a new member into our ministry team.

Advent Fayre 2020
Our Advent Craft Fayre and Christmas Tree Festival was a great success and it was lovely to welcome so many of you into St Andrew's. We had lots of entries for the festival and it was heartening to see that we had several trees with a recycling theme and two trees providing gifts for the homeless and those in need. The winners were:

Adults:
1st: Hale Road Allotments
2nd: Meridian Quilters
3rd: WI

Children:
1st: 1st Swavesey Cubs
2nd: 1st Swavesey Rainbows
3rd: 1st Swavesey Guides

We were very lucky this year to be entertained by a trio of musicians from the Village College – Jess, Julia and Archie. They played all afternoon and made a real contribution to our festival with their music. We are very grateful to them and their teacher, Jenny Warburton.

Forthcoming Events:

Snowdrop Open Garden
If this event hasn't already taken place, look out for the posters advertising your chance to enjoy the beautiful drifts of snowdrops in the gardens of Priory House, courtesy of Mr and Mrs Jeremy Newsum and to enjoy a slice of cake and a cup of tea in the church.

March 22nd 3pm Tea á la Ritz at The Windmill, Swavesey
Get your spring clothes out and your dancing shoes on and come and have "Tea á la Ritz" with us on Mothering Sunday! This year, we have been invited to hold our tea at The Windmill where there will be more room for dancing and extra spaces for you to bring more of your family. This is a very popular event so look out for posters and information on social media nearer the time. Tickets will cost £8 for adults; £4 for children 5 – 16 and free for children under 5. They will be available from: Jacqui Fuller: 01954 230774, email: jacqui_fuller@hotmail.com or Lisa Boyes: 01954 232247 email: hello@swaveseywindmill.co.uk.

St Andrew's Graveyard

Over the last eighteen months, a small band of hard-working people have spent many hours in St Andrew's churchyard. They have cleared ivy from the gravestones, cut back the nettles and bushes, cleared the weeds and cut the grass. It is now a pleasant and peaceful place in which to visit a loved one's grave or to sit and enjoy a quiet moment.

Whilst many of our graves are very old and are no longer tended by a member of the family, there are many where flowers are still laid regularly and where great care is taken to maintain the grave. We are very grateful that so many of you look after your family graves but we need to remind you that there are several diocesan rules and regulations which control the size and type of memorabilia that you may place on the graves in our churchyard.

These rules state that:

Wreaths and cut flowers should be removed as soon as they appear to be withered and vases which are no longer in use should be removed. It is preferable that plastic wrapping is removed and placed in the black bin by the church.

No artificial flowers except for Remembrance Day poppies or traditional Christmas wreaths may be placed in the graveyard and these must be removed within two months. (Artificial flowers do not biodegrade and can be blown into the long grass where they may be inadvertently be cut into small pieces by the mowers or may be a danger to the wildlife that uses the graveyard.)

No lighting, whether solar or otherwise is permitted on or around a grave.

Trees and shrubs may not be planted on or around a grave without separate faculty permission.

We understand that the care and appearance of the graves of your loved ones is very important to you but we do ask that you remove anything that is not permitted from the graves that you look after. The PCC has the right and responsibility to remove anything which is not allowed by the diocesan rules which can be found on the Diocese of Ely website. There is a booklet "Guidance to Families and Next of Kin" which explains the rules and regulations clearly, a copy of which can be found on the oak table at the back of the church. Please could you ensure that you remove anything that is not permitted by June 30th, 2020.

Thank you,
St Andrew's Parochial Church Council.

Community Groups & Charities

Swavesey Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group	A voluntary group who meet on the first Monday each month to set out the vision for Swavesey and the planning policies needed to manage development according to the wishes of the local community. See http://www.swavesey.org.uk/neighbourhood-plan/ or Email: clerk@swavesey.org.uk for more information
Cam Sight	Cam Sight is a local charity which offers support to anyone with a visual impairment, along with their family and carers. We meet on the 4th Wednesday afternoon of each month in Bar Hill. For more information please telephone Joan in Bar Hill on 01954 200622 or Alison at Cam Sight on 01223 420033 or email alison@camsight.org.uk. For more info see:- www.camsight.org.uk
Cambridgeshire Hearing Help	CHH is a charity that helps people with hearing loss. Volunteers service NHS hearing aids and provide batteries and they attend Swavesey quarterly at Thistle Green. Advice on any aspects of hearing loss is available at a hearing help session or by calling the office on 01223 416141, e-mail enquiries@cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk or check the website cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk
Care Network	Care Network supports volunteers, encourages independence and develops good neighbour projects. We provide the Welcome Home from Hospital service across Cambridgeshire. Contact:- Care Network, 5 Broadway House, 149-151 St Neots Rd, Hardwick, Cambridge, CB23 7QJ (tel: 01954 211919). care-network.org.uk/
Community First Responder Scheme	The local group in Over and Swavesey has provided help over many hours and attended over 20 patients in your community. You can support the group and help to fundraise for equipment or volunteer to become a Community First Responder within your community. Contact:- responderadmin@eastamb.nhs.uk or call 01284 731802
Swavesey Library	A volunteer run community library based in Swavesey Village College. We are able to providing a full range of library facilities being directly linked to the Cambridgeshire County Council library service. For more info see:- www.swavesey.org.uk/village-link/swavesey-library
The Friends of the Rosie Hospital	The Friends of the Rosie Hospital are helping to make the Rosie a more comfortable environment for mothers and babies. Contact:- Mrs Mary Sanders (Hon Chair) rosieinstitches@ukonline.co.uk Tel 01223 356615
East Anglia's Children's Hospice (EACH)	Put your free time to good use and volunteer at East Anglia's Children's Hospice (EACH) in Milton. Volunteering at a children's hospice doesn't always mean care work and fundraising as there are also tasks such as admin and maintenance of the grounds. Contact:- Clare Bates on 01223 815 134, email clare.bates@each.org.uk
Community Resourcing	We have a small group of local volunteers (local residents from our community) who would like to help other members of our community with any practical tasks. Contact:- Parish Council Tel: 01954 202982 or Email: clerk@swavesey.org.uk
OWLS Community Car Scheme	Run by DBS checked volunteers the scheme offers a door-to-door service, for medical or some social journeys, to people who are unable to access other forms of transport. Ring 07505 254363 to book a journey, find out more, or to volunteer as a driver

CLUB INFORMATION

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<tr><td>Army Cadet Force</td><td>Swavesey Detachment, No 2 (Cromwell) Company, Cambridgeshire Army Cadet Force meets each Tuesday evening at the Swavesey Village College from 7 pm. New recruits are welcomed from ages 12 years (year 8) to 18 years. Contact - Sgt Phill Barrett phone 07786981380</td></tr>
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<tr><td>Swavesey Spartans</td><td>Swavesey Spartans are a Chartered Standard Youth Football Club affiliated to Cambridgeshire Football Association. The club runs boys and girls teams from under 6 through to under 17.
For information and enquiries please contact
Chairman - Gary Peet on 07976 359494
Secretary - Colin Baker on 07976 636771
Club Welfare Officer - Carolyn Merricks on 01954 20497</td></tr>
<tr><td>1st Swavesey Scout Group</td><td>All sections meet on Tuesday at the Scout Hut on the SVC site
Beavers - 16:45 to 17:45 Contact: Marian Bentley Email: marian.bentley@1stswaveseyscoutgroup.org.uk
Cubs - 18:00 to 19:15 Contact: Janet Stones Email: janet.stones@1stswaveseyscoutgroup.org.uk
Scouts - 19:30 to 21:00 Contact: Jim Burling Email: jim.burling@1stswaveseyscoutgroup.org.uk
For any other Scouting issues Contact: Jim Burling Email: jim.burling@1stswaveseyscoutgroup.org.uk</td></tr>
<tr><td>Swavesey Early Years and Playwork Centre</td><td>Swavesey Early Years and Playwork Centre are based in their own purpose-built unit on the primary school site. It comprises Early Years children (aged 2 – 4 years) between 9am and 3pm (formerly Swavesey Pre School) and we provide activities and care for primary school aged children before and after school. Breakfast Club runs from 7.30 am to 9am and After School Club from 3.15pm to 6pm. For information please contact Carol Panther (Early Years and Playwork Manager) by email eyandp@swavesey.cambs.sch.uk or by phone 01954 273312 or 07803 812221.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Swavesey Music School</td><td>Meets every Saturday of term time at Swavesey Village College. Only £3.00 per session. For further details see:
www.swaveseymusic.co.uk/</td></tr>
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Health and Wellbeing Club	A club for older adults which runs on the last Tuesday of the month with the exception of December. The group meets at the Community Centre, Thistle Green, Swavesey from 10.00 to 11.30am. Refreshments, chair-based exercises, speakers and time for conversation. No booking is required and the group is Free.
British Tang Soo Do Institute	British Tang Soo Do Institute practices the Korean martial art of Tang Soo Do. Our club training covers self defence techniques and many aspects of fitness including flexibility, coordination, conditioning, balance and discipline helping to promote a healthy lifestyle. For further information please contact Master Jeff Cockram on 07863 345681 or jeff@btsdi.co.uk or see our website: www.btsdi.com
Swavesey Tang Soo Do Club	Classes are held Monday 18:30-20:00 in the main hall at the Primary School, Swavesey and Wednesday 18:30-20:00 in the Memorial Hall. We are a family run club offering Martial Arts training in a friendly atmosphere. Training is available for all ages from 5 and over. Children, adult beginners, family groups and people with previous martial arts experience are all welcome. Contact Louise Morton on 07711 256512 Email: enquiries@swaveseytsd.co.uk - website: http://www.swaveseytsd.co.uk/
Allotments in Swavesey	Down Hale Road towards the windmill and on the right there are 61 plots, mostly 150 sq yds (125 m2) in area, backed up by eight water tanks. Large yields of a wide range of high quality vegetable, fruit and flower crops can be grown successfully. If you are interested in joining the waiting list contact Russell Fear on 01954 202846.
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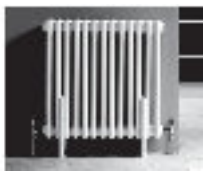

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Please use this form to notify us of any major events you are organising so that we can publish the dates in the magazine and on the website at www.swaveseymeridian.org.uk It is hoped this will avoid major events clashing on the same day. Please send to the Editor, 14 Black Horse Lane, Swavesey.

Event _____

Location _____ Date _____ Time _____

Contact Name _____ Tel No. _____

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If you would like to mark any occasion that is special to you or somebody that you know by announcing it in this magazine, please fill in the form below.

Also supply your name and contact details, and return to the Editor by the copy date. We will endeavour to include it in our next issue.

SHORT MESSAGE:

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Presented By

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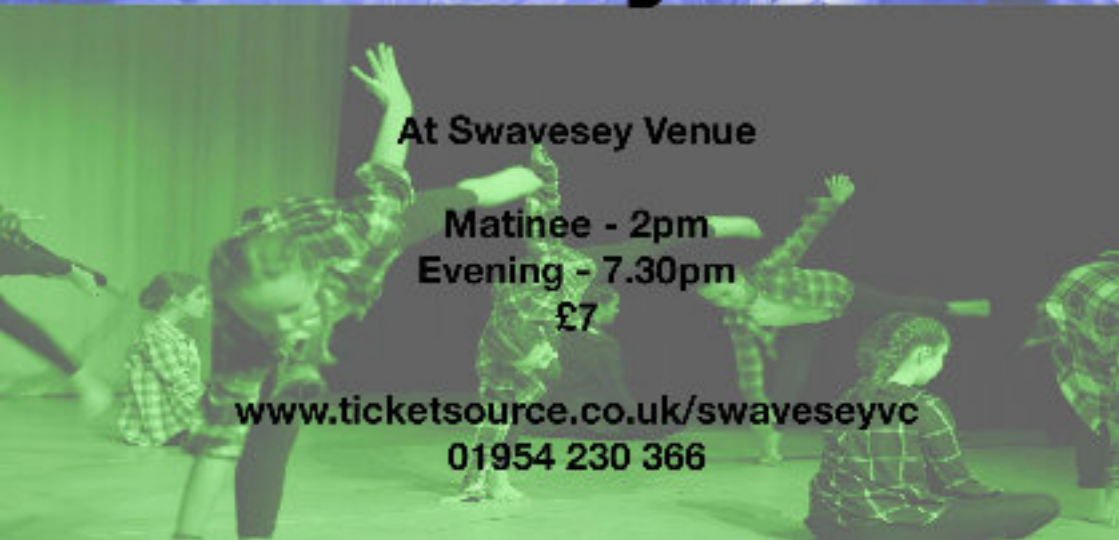
Swavesey Village College

Saturday 8th February 2020



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Evening - 7.30pm

£7

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